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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

### 1. NATO TO DISCUSS THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT

SECRETARY GENERAL LUNS HAS CALLED FOR A RESTRICTED COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 16 TO DISCUSS NATO IMPLICATIONS OF THE MIDDLE EAST CONFLICT. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS TO BE DISCUSSED ARE: THE CHANCES OF EXTENSION OR ESCALATION OF THE CONFLICT AND THE EFFECTS OF SUCH DEVELOPMENTS ON THE ALLIED COUNTRIES; THE EFFECT OF THE CONFLICT ON EAST-WEST RELATIONS, PARTICULARLY ON DETENTE; AND A REVIEW OF THE OIL SUPPLY SITUATION AS IT STANDS AND AS IT MIGHT BE PROJECTED IF THE CONFLICT IS PROTRACTED.

(SECRET) USNATO 4919, 10/15.

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2. NORWAY CONCERNED OVER FRENCH NATO DRAFT

EMBASSY OSLO REPORTS THE NORWEGIANS ARE UNHAPPY WITH THE FRENCH NATO DRAFT DECLARATION, BUT WILL AGREE RELUCTANTLY TO USE IT, WITH CERTAIN REVISIONS. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS HAVE INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD HAVE PREFERRED TO WORK FROM THE CANADIAN DRAFT. THEY SEE THE FRENCH

DRAFT AS HAVING A DECIDED "COLD WAR" FLAVOR IN THAT IT DEALS MOSTLY WITH DEFENSE AND ONLY INDIRECTLY WITH DETENTE. THEY ARE ALSO TROUBLED BY A "GAULLIST" IMPLICATION THAT EUROPEANS HAVE UNIQUE DEFENSE PROBLEMS, WHICH COULD CUT ACROSS ALLIANCE SOLIDARITY AND ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SEPARATE EUROPEAN DEFENSE STRUCTURE. (SECRET) OSLO 3821, 10/15.

3. THAI FIELD MARSHAL PRAPHAT SURFACES IN TAIPEI

PREMIER CHIANG INFORMED AMBASSADOR MCCONAUGHY OCTOBER 16 THAT THAI FIELD MARSHAL PRAPHAT ARRIVED IN TAIPEI EARLIER IN THE DAY VIA A THAI INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT FOR AN INDEFINITE STAY. CHIANG EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN ABOUT THE POSSIBLE EFFECT ON ROC-THAI RELATIONS IF PRAPHAT REMAINS FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD, BUT SAID HE IS SYMPATHETICALLY DISPOSED TOWARD PRAPHAT. PRAPHAT TOLD CHIANG THAT FIELD MARSHAL THANOM, CONTRARY TO PRESS REPORTS, HAS NOT LEFT THAILAND AND PLANS TO REMAIN THERE FOR ABOUT A WEEK--NOT IN AN ATTEMPT TO REGAIN POWER BUT TO TRY TO EXERT SOME MODERATING INFLUENCE ON THE SITUATION. (CONFIDENTIAL) TAIPEI 6294, 10/16.

4. BREZHNEV TO VISIT INDIA

TASS BUREAU CHIEF MATYASH INFORMED EMBASSY NEW DELHI THAT BREZHNEV'S ONE-WEEK VISIT TO INDIA BEGINNING NOVEMBER 20 IS NOW VIRTUALLY FIRM. SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE VISIT INCLUDE TRADE AND AID, MILITARY ASSISTANCE, THE MIDDLE EAST, JAPAN, CHINA, AND THE ASIAN  
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SECURITY PROPOSAL. MATYASH SAID JAPAN WOULD BE ON THE AGENDA BECAUSE THE SOVIETS VIEW INDIA AND JAPAN AS "TWO ANCHORS OF SOVIET POLICY INTEREST IN SOUTH AND EAST ASIA," AND THE SOVIETS WOULD LIKE TO SEE CLOSER POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC TIES BETWEEN JAPAN AND INDIA AS A BALANCE TO CHINA. (CONFIDENTIAL) NEW DELHI 11977, 10/15. KISSINGER

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